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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/075,843	Applicant(s) COE ET AL.	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 23 June 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4-10 and 15-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4-6,8-10 and 17-23 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 7,15 and 16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1, 4-10 and 15-23 are pending in the application.

This action is in response to applicants' amendment filed June 23, 2004.

Claim 1 has been amended.

Response to Arguments

Applicants' arguments filed June 23, 2004 have been fully considered with the following effect:

1. The applicants' amendments and arguments are sufficient to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph rejection of claims 15 and 16, labeled paragraph 2) in the last office, which are hereby **withdrawn**.
2. The applicants' amendments and arguments are sufficient to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejections labeled 3a) and 3c) in the last office, which are hereby **withdrawn**. However, with regards to the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejection labeled 3b), the applicants' amendments and remarks have been fully considered but they are not found persuasive.

b) The applicants' state that claim 7 refers to a specific pharmaceutical composition requiring a specific quantity of a compound according to claim 1 to produce a specific result and that claim 9 differs substantially from claim 7 because it recites a general pharmaceutical composition and does not specify that the quantity of a compound according to claim 1 present in the composition be effective in producing a specific result. The recitation of an intended use, chemical activity or

functional description of some "additional" property for a compound or a composition containing same in a dependent claim, must result in a tangible structural difference between the product of the independent claim and that of the dependent claim, said dependent claim is seen to be a substantial duplicate, and said recitation is not afforded critical weight and fails to further limit the product in the said dependent claim.

Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter, which applicant regards as the invention, for reasons of record and stated above.

3. The applicants' arguments are sufficient to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claims 7-10, labeled paragraphs 4), 5) and 6) in the last office, which are hereby **withdrawn**.

4. The applicants' amendments and arguments are sufficient to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claim 1, labeled paragraph 7) in the last office, which is hereby **withdrawn**.

In view of the amendment dated June 23, 2004, the following new grounds of rejection apply:

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter, which the applicant regards as his invention.

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5. Claims 15 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The following reason(s) apply:

a) Claim 15 recites the limitation "2-fluorobenzamide" in the first species. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

b) Claim 16 is vague and indefinite in that it is dependent upon canceled claim 3.

c) Claim 16 recites the limitation "acetamide" in the fourth species. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 1, 4-6, 8-10 and 17-23 are allowed. None of the prior art of record or a search in the pertinent art area teaches the compounds, compositions and method of use of the compounds of formula (I) as claimed herein.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brenda Coleman whose telephone number is 571-272-0665. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mukund Shah can be reached on 571-272-0674. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Coleman".

Brenda Coleman
Primary Examiner Art Unit 1624
August 18, 2004